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MEETINGS 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10:00 A.M. (9 A.M. FOR GOSSIP & TRADING)

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Announcements

This month's stamp club meetings:

April 13, 2019 - This is an Auction Day meeting where members can put up to 5 items on the auction table using the <u>NSSS Auction Sheet</u> with the Minimum Bid. Preceding the auction will be announcements and a raffle.

April 27, 2019 - This is a Consignment meeting where members can place up to 10 items on the consignment table using the <u>NSSS Auction Sheet</u> with the sale price. The philatelic presentation will be on "Burma Stamps" by **Steve Foster**.

Board meeting: The quarterly meeting of the Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs is **May 11** after the regular club meeting. Please contact **Harvey Edwards** if you need to place an item on the Board Meeting Agenda.

Elections: Nominations are needed for President, Treasurer and one Director position. The voting will take place on **August 10** at the picnic.

Picnic: The annual Picnic is **Aug. 10** at the Silverada Estates Clubhouse. (The same place as the meetings.) The social activity will start about 11 a.m. with the BBQ taking place around noon. **Marla Wetterling** is coordinating this activity. Family members are welcome.

Buy, Sell, Trade Day: Previously known as Member Bourse Day, is an open time for members to purchase a table for \$5 and sell as many items as you want. The date is **Sept. 28**.

From Stan Cronwall concerning Washington Press going out of business:

Here is a newsy piece that might be used as a drop-in for the next Post Boy. . . For any of you who have been using stamp collecting materials produced by or for the Washington Press such as White Ace albums, you know that last fall they announced that the firm was going out of business when the last of their stocks was exhausted, or as an alternative perhaps a "white knight" would come along and buy the company. To date neither has happened.

Recently, I was following up on an order placed last fall at the time of the announcement. The man who answered the phone was not at all helpful even though he claimed to have been an employee for more than 30 years.

He claimed he had never seen or heard of the White Ace cover album variety I was seeking, and apparently had no way of checking on my order or the desire to help by looking for it. Thanks a bunch!

Post Boy Reporter

Mar. 9 meeting - Erik Fields and **James Steckley** arrived early to set up the meeting room. There were 32 members in attendance plus two visitors, Robert & Peggy Clark. They inherited a stamp collection and had many questions. **Scott & Barbara Mathews** provided the refreshments. **Dick Simmonds** provided information on a 9-mi-

nute YouTube video *Inherited Stamp Collection? - What to do!* More information about the YouTube video is on page 8.

The raffle, conducted by **Betty Mudge**, had the usual 10 prizes plus a bonus prize won by **Scott Mathews**. **Bob Wolf** won the money prize of \$16.50. The live auction had 55 lots with 31 lots selling. Gross sales were \$307.50. **Erik Fields** and **Gary Atkinson** were the auctioneers with **George Ray** and **Dick Simmonds** helping.



Mar. 23 meeting - James Steckley, Erik Fields and **Harry Pinkham** arrived early to set up the meeting room. Attendance was excellent at 36 people including 2 visitors. The visitors were Larry Townsend from Unionville, NV who was looking for advice on the value of his stamp collection and Jim Novaks from Reno was selling "stuff" inherited from his father. Refreshments were provided by **Zoleinna Schar**. The consignment table was overflowing with sale lots.

Paul Glass reported the club has 69 paid members. **Barbara Diederichsen** was awarded Honorary Membership.

Betty Mudge conducted the raffle which had 10 prizes and a bonus prize won by **Dave Gehringer**. The money prize of \$17 was won by **Scott Mathews**.

The philatelic presentation was given by six members on the topic "My Favorite Thing."



Dave Gehringer discussed a Hot Air Balloon cover. He also mentioned his wife receiving a tethered ride in a balloon that landed close to their home a few months ago. **James Steckley** told of his collection and exhibit of "Name That Town" covers. **Marla Wetterling** showed some of her picture post cards of castles.

Harvey Edwards had two interesting covers, one with a ship stamp and another related to a midget submarine. Trivia - the first ship sunk in WWII was a midget submarine off the coast of Hawaii. John Wetterling displayed a cover sent from The Netherlands to Australia via World Airways. He also mentioned air races using both speed and time in which women pilots participated. John Walter published an article in the Post Boy last year discussing "America's Ugliest Stamp" (Scott 2521). He showed FDCs of the stamp which seemed to be illegal with nothing but the stamp without denominated postage as per the USPS. He then showed a 4-cancel cover with 4 different slogan cancels from the same post office on the same day. He then showed a hotel cover with the Hotel Sir Walter logo. He explained the history of the hotel built in Raleigh, NC in 1923 and now has apartments for senior citizens.

Barbara Diederichsen - Honorary Member

At the March 23 meeting the club members voted for an honorary membership for Barbara Diederichsen. We all know Barbara as the lady who coordinated the snacks and goodies for our monthly meetings and helped coordinate our annual holiday party and picnic. Last fall as her eyesight was failing, she reluctantly turned those duties over to Marla Wetterling.



Barbara (sitting) talking with Gert Perez at the June 23, 2018

Barbara was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She was raised with two sisters and one brother. At age 15 her family moved to San Diego, California. After marriage Barbara was a stay-at-home mom and raised her four children.

She and her husband, Ray, opened a business in 1960. Barbara performed a variety of administrative tasks at the business beginning in 1976 which included bookkeeping and managing the financial side of the business. It was during this time she started collecting stamps from the incoming business mail due to all the beautiful artwork on the stamps. Barbara became aware of the stamp club, but at this time the club was meeting at the university and the location was not easily accessible to her.

Barbara became a member of the stamp club in 1995 when she learned the stamp club was now meeting at the Sparks Heritage Museum. She collected U.S. mint stamps. Barbara was an avid volunteer at the Sparks Heritage Museum for many years. Her other volunteer activities included being part of the Organ Club, a member of the Lord of Mercy Lutheran Church, tended a veggie and flower garden, and still enjoys art and history. She collected thimbles and played bridge four times a week with four different bridge groups. She has enjoyed bowling for many years and her personal best score is a 245. She won quite a few awards.

She and Ray have been married 69 years. She has traveled to Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Mexico, Canada as well as Alaska and Hawaii. Barbara says she will try to make meetings as much as she can.

Note: Some of the family history was obtained when Barbara had a Member Profile article in the Nov. 2014 Post Boy.

April Quiz on Israel

by Stan Cronwall

The British mandate of Palestine ended in May 1948. The Jewish National Council in Palestine proclaimed the new state of Israel Any collectors of Israeli stamps should heed the information in the Scott catalog which precede the

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1.	The highest face value of the set (Scott17-25) issued in 1949-50 features a painting by artist Reuven Rubin.
	The work pictures camels on what desert?
	a. Gobi b. Negev c. Sahara
2.	In 2014, a set of three regular stamps plus a booklet were issued to commemorate the 50 th anniversary of the premier of the Broadway opening of <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i> . All feature the same character from the shoe. However, the inscriptions differ. Which of the following are shown on the regular issues and the booklet stamps? a. Fiddler on the Roof b. Tevye the Dairyman c. Do you love me?
3.	A single stamp was issued in 1970 featured the first Israeli designed and built aircraft. The plane was named? a. Sabra b. Vautour c. Arava
4.	Cartoon humor was used in a set of three stamps issued in 1997 to carry the message of Road Safety. Which these was <u>NOT</u> an intended message? a. Obey all rules of the road b. Don't drink and drive c. Keep in your lane
5.	A stamp issued in 1974 honored Israel's first Prime Minister and Minister of Defense. This famous person was? a. Chaim Herzog b. David Ben-Gurion c. Golda Meier
6.	Israel issued two air post stamps in 1952, which featured Haifa Bay, Mt Carmel and the Haifa city seal. These were not available through post offices. Instead the stamps were available only on purchase of a ticket to the National Stamp Exhibition in Haifa. Is this true or false? a. True b. False
7.	A stamp and souvenir sheet were issued in 1995 to commemorate the 50 th anniversary of end of World War II, and the liberation of the concentration camps. The flags of three nations appear on these stamps. The three countries are: a. Great Britain, France and USA b. France, Russia and USA c. Great Britain, USA and USSR
8.	To promote the London 2010 International Stamp Exhibition, Israel issued a souvenir sheet showing children's books. Three were featured. Which of the following books were NOT : a. Winnie the Pooh b. Alice in Wonderland c. Peter Pan d. Gulliver's Travels
9.	The first time a lighted Menorah appears on an Israeli stamp is on which issue? a. The Arms & Service Insignia (1949) b. Emblems of the 12 tribes & Menorah (1952) c. The 7 th anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel (1955)

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c. Ya'akov Dori

10. The first Israeli astronaut was featured on an issue released in 2004. His name was?

b. Ilan Ramon

a. Mordecai Haffkine

BONUS: In conjunction with the Jewish New Year, 5728 (1967) Israel issued a set of five stamps featuring ancient, decorated Scrolls (Torah) of the Law. These were multi-colored with either silver or gold backgrounds. How many had silver backgrounds? a. One b. Two c. Three

The April quiz is worth **110 Auction Bucks**, including the bonus questions. Please complete the quiz and give your answers to Betty Mudge at either of the April meetings or email to postboyquiz@renostamp.org

Mar. Quiz Answers: 1. a 2. c 3. b 4. a 5. b 6. c 7. a 8. c 9. a 10. c Bonus: b and b

March Quiz on Vietnam - Full Answers

Howard Grenzebach provided full explanation of the answers.

- 1. (a. A&T) Tonkin was the northern part of Vietnam while Annam was the narrow part that connected to Cochin China in the south.
- 2. (c. Laos) Indo-China was created for the convenience of combining government, postal and other administrative entities.
- 3. (b. French) France began the colonization of S. E. Asia began in 1887 and the first stamps were issued that year.
- 4. (a. The Viet Minh) The Viet Minh was formed by Ho Chi Minh to drive out the French and fight the Japanese during their occupation. The stamps issued were only good locally.
- 5. (b. 1951) Even though the French still occupied Indo-China, the separate states were recognized and issued their own stamps and coins in 1951.
- 6. (c. South and North Vietnam) After the recognition of Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh separated from the Southern government and retreated to Tonkin to form his own and issued stamps from the North.
- 7. (a. South Vietnam) The PLF was composed of people from the South. Stamps were issued for use in the South but were never recognized or used outside.
- 8. (c. Bao Dai) Ho Chi Minh was, of course, the president of North Vietnam. Bao Dai was the 13th and last Emperor of Vietnam. Nguyen Cung? (Never heard of him.)
- 9. (a. Vietnam) North and South Vietnam ceased to exist at the end of the war and only Vietnam remained.
- 10. (c. Ho Chi Minh) Many stamps were and still are made in his honor. Nguyen Van Vui won the North's Medal of Honor and Creighton Abrams was on the other side.

Bonus Questions

- 11. (b. 1976) The war ended, elections were held, and the stamps were issued right after the end of the war in 1976.
- 12. (b. 1954) The International Commission was created to oversee the partitioning of Indo-China according to the Geneva Convention. Vietnam was divided into North and South and separated from Cambodia and Laos. The stamps can be found under India.



For Immediate Release

Greater Reno Stamp and Cover Show July 27-28, 2019

The Nevada Stamp Study Society announces the Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show will be held:

Where: Hall of Fame Museum, National Bowling Stadium

300 North Center Street Reno, NV 89501-1129

When: Saturday, July 27, 2019 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday, July 28, 2019 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The show is open to the public with free admission and free parking at the bowling stadium. The show is an official event of Reno Artown 2019.

Thirteen stamp dealers and the U.S. Postal Service will have booths. The dealers will be available to sell, buy and offer free appraisals of philatelic material including entire collections.

There will be up to 40 frames of stamp and cover exhibits. There will be free hourly door prizes for those attending.

There will be a youth/beginner's booth in the exhibit area on Saturday and Sunday. Free stamps and albums available for youngsters. New collectors can learn about the hobby or find their favorite subject on stamps.

For more information: Erik Fields, Show Chair

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Vassar Post Office Displays



The above two frames were for the month of March. One frame was *The Art of Disney* and the other was *Animals on Stamps*. There were also some covers celebrating St. Patrick's Day.



This month's display is *Horses on Stamps* and *Baseball*.

Buy, Want, Sell, Trade

If you would like to have an advertisement in the Post Boy, please email editor@renostamp.org.

Free: Membership in the Korean Stamp Society is free to attract new members. When joining the society its members have complete access to all the information generated about Korean stamp collecting by the KSS members beginning in the early 1950s. Join online http://www.koreanstampsociety.org Great opportunity to learn about a new collecting area.

Free: Excellent YouTube video (8.43 minutes) titled "Inherited Stamp Collection? - What To Do!" Here is a set of instructions about how to store, value, keep or sell stamps. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=44LJFCRntcE

Wanted - Pre-1900 covers, Czechoslovakia & Asian used stamps, ephemera (old handwritten deeds, ledgers, documents, manuscripts, diaries, autograph books) covers with embossed red wax seal. Contact member **Gale Kiniry** (650) 965-2380 or email kiniry@sbcglobal.net

Wanted - German Post World War II Hitler Head stamps that have been "obliterated" or masked. Mint or used, . . . singles or more . . . just stamps or used on cover or postcards. Contact member **Stan Cronwall** email: stlaine@aol.com

For Sale: Great Britain MNH. The items include sets, and presentation booklets. The prices are about 25% of 2016 Scott catalog. Contact **Betty Mudge** 972-8237 or email bjmudge2004@yahoo.com.

Buying: Stamp Collections Worldwide & United States, Large or Small Estate. Postal History, Post Cards, Ephemera, Stock Certificates, Checks, Old Business Ledgers and Billheads, Mining Lumber, Staging & Express, Pony Express, California Gold Rush. Photographs 1840's - 1920's, California & Nevada Oil Paintings, anything Rare from California or Nevada History... Contact member **Mark Baker** 530-417-1117 or Email Mark@goldrushpaper.com.

Buy and Sell - almost anything philatelic and ephemera. This includes stamps, post cards, FDCs, photos and documents of mining, and also Western interest. Plus selling philatelic supplies. Contact member **Nadiah Beekun** at (775) 762-4905, http://www.RenoStamps.com or email: classicnevada@yahoo.com.

Wanted - pre-1950's, picture postcards from Scotland, preferably castles and abbeys. Contact member **Marla Wetterling** (775) 575-1337 or email: opusnrosebud@att.net.

Wanted: U.S. aerogramme: #UC49, and UC52 - must be used and addressed to an overseas address. Also needed is FDC of UC63a. Contact member **John Walter**, email: walter60@gmail.com.

Wanted: Articles for the Post Boy newsletter. Many of the stamp club members purchase auction and consignment lots at meetings. How about a short article on why the item was purchased and a scan of the item. Let us know why you bought a certain item. Submit article to editor@renostamp.org

Wanted: Advertisements for philatelic items you may be seeking for your collection or an exhibit. You may be surprised by the items our members may have lurking in their collections. Also wanted are advertisements for items or duplicates you want to sell. Contact the editor (775) 851-7968 or editor@renostamp.org.